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Ikuko Kato et al.

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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING RAW  
MATERIAL BEANS DRINKS AND SOLID  
FERMENTED FOOD

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendment to the Abstract** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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